NAVIGATE YOUR ENTREPRENEURIAL JOURNEY

I. NETWORKING

Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce **McCracken County Library Paducah Professional Women Paducah Business Network Paducah Minority Leaders Business Networking International** Sprocket Beer:30 at Dry Ground **Etcetera Coffeehouse Pipers Coffee & Tea Mellow Mushroom Dry Ground Brewing Co Paducah Beer Works** Hopkins County Regional Chamber of Commerce **Campfire Roasters Roastery & Coffee Shop Innovate & Caffeinate Monthly Meetup Entrepreneur Happy Hour Quarterly Meetup** Murray-Calloway Chamber of Commerce Shaffer Coffee Shop Tap 216 Bar & Restaurant **Burrito Shack**

2. PROOF OF CONCEPT/READINESS

West Kentucky Innovation Challenge - Preaccelerator **KY Innovation Station**

3. PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT/BETA TESTING

Codefi KY **Kentucky Movers and Makers Murray State University**

4. COWORKING SPACES/RESOURCES

Sprocket Coworking The Maple Center

5. SEED/EARLY STAGE CAPITAL

Independence Bank IST50K Startup Competition - Sprocket First United Bank Hancock Bank **Independence Bank Community Financial Services Bank** The Murray Bank

6. EXPANSION RESOURCES/ACCESS TO CUSTOMERS

Greater Paducah Economic Development Barkley Regional Airport Paducah Inland Waterways Hub **Procurement Technical Assistance Center** Madisonville-Hopkins Economic Development Corp Pennyrile Area Development District Murray-Calloway Economic Development Corporation Murray State Center for Business and Economic Development



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7. WORKFORCE CAPACITY

Paducah Innovation Hub

West KY Community & Technical College Murray State University -- Paducah campus University of Kentucky School of Engineering Sprocket-Codefi Adult Code Labs Madisonville-Hopkins Economic Development Corp Pennyrile Area Development District Murray-Calloway Economic Development Corporation Murray State Center for Business and Economic Development

GroWest is a coalition of communities committed to growing the digital economy in our region. The coalition provides a variety of entrepreneurial services and programs, from early idea stage pre-accelerators to mid-stage startup recruitment and seed funding. In addition, each community hosts software development training to grow a talent pipeline for tech enabled businesses. We also provide exceptional co-work spaces and networking events for small businesses. Anyone with an innovative startup idea or existing business should contact the hub closest to them.

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